

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE/REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE  
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0025615-07-0

Permittee: City of Thorp, City Hall, PO Box 334, Thorp, WI 54771-0334

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Thorp Wastewater Treatment Facility, State Highway 29 & Tieman Ave, Thorp, Wisconsin

Receiving Water and Location: the North Fork of the Eau Claire River in the North Fork Eau Claire River Watershed of the Lower Chippewa River Basin in Clark County

Brief Facility Description: The Thorp Wastewater Treatment Facility treats on average 0.162 million gallons per day (MGD) of domestic wastewater from the City of Thorp (facility has a maximum design capacity of 0.331 MGD). Treatment consists of a three-celled aerated lagoon system that is operated on a fill and draw basis. Effluent is held in a holding pond prior to discharge to the North Fork of the Eau Claire River. This permit was originally reissued on December 12, 2003. In 2004 the facility had some problems with bypassing, therefore modifications to the collection system is needed to prevent future bypassing. Included in this permit revoke and reissue is a compliance schedule that addresses collection system alterations. Also included in this modification is the removal of the flow monitoring requirement at the in-plant sample point 102 because this data is not necessary, new ammonia effluent limits, removal of the copper effluent limits and a reduction in copper monitoring to twice per year because recent data indicates copper is no longer a significant concern, and a compliance schedule to address the modifications to the collection system.

Permit Drafter: Angela Parkhurst, DNR, WCR Headquarters, 1300 W. Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54702, (715) 839-3836, [angela.parkhurst@dnr.state.wi.us](mailto:angela.parkhurst@dnr.state.wi.us)

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Reason For Revocation: Previous problems with bypassing prompted modifications to the collection system.

The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be revoked/reissued.

Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Land application of waste shall be done in accordance with permit conditions and applicable codes. All land application sites shall be approved prior to their use. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the above named basin engineer.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination.

A public informational hearing may be held if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Stats., or if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit and permit information form (if required), may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's or basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 839-3836 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (usually 20 cents per page) will be charged for copies of information in the file other than the public notice and permit information form. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/ww>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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